General Information about Civil Air Patrol

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Here are some brief details about the Civil Air Patrol.....

- THE ORGANIZATION

Nonprofit, 501(c)(3) corporation
The auxiliary of the U.S. Air Force
More than 56,000 members, including 22,000 cadets ages 12-21
Eight geographic regions, 52 wings, 1,500 units in all
National Headquarters at Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala., with 100 support staff World's largest fleet (530) of single-engine, piston aircraft
Nation's most extensive communications network
1,000 emergency services vehicles

- AEROSPACE EDUCATION

100 aerospace education workshops each year Aerospace classroom materials, grades K through college Nation's premier annual aerospace education conference AE program touches more than 900 teachers per year

- CADET PROGRAMS

Multi-step leadership training Cadet glider and powered orientation flights, flight training scholarships International Air Cadet Exchange program

OPERATIONS

Performs 90 percent of nation's inland search and rescue 75 lives on average saved per year Aerial reconnaissance for homeland security Disaster relief and damage assessment Transport for time-sensitive medical materials Counter-narcotic missions